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OPPORTUNITY PERIOD STARTS WITH A RUSH

Each Contestant Striving with Might and Main to
Secure Every Subscription Possible.

Opportunity Number One and the Glanzer Special Price Ends March 31 Noon
List of Contestants and Their Standing.

Opportunity Period.
The vote-total of various contestants shows plainly in the standings as published in this paper, and many who appeared to be out of the race have come from behind with a rush, and rapidly climbed up near the top, all in the course of a single week. This proves conclusively that even those who start after to-day have an excellent chance to come out in the winning class, as but a few subscriptions will yet serve to place any candidate on top. In many cases the late starters, those who do not start working until the contest is half or more than half over, prove the winners of the biggest prizes. Of course, they are obliged to put forth a little more effort for a time than those who started when the contest was inaugurated, but even then they prove their determination by refusing to be stopped by the difference of a few thousand votes and eventually win. A candidate with the right sort of determination is the one who always proves a winner and those who start late show their refusal to be downed when they go against the handicap of votes that the first one have over them. If you want to win and intend to do so, it makes no difference when you start. The spirit and energy are the things that count.

For The Later Starters.
Have you who have just started or have done but little so far stopped to consider that but one or two yearly subscriptions will put you in the lead today? Probably the work you have done this week has convinced you of this; if not, it should at least have demonstrated to you that your chances are as good as those of any other candidate no matter how far ahead of you they may be. Although the contest is almost half over, no one contestant has spurted so far in front that she cannot be overtaken, and a little effort put forth and put forth in a manner to convince yourself and those who are helping you that you are in earnest in securing subscriptions, will put you on an equal footing with the topmost one. If you have not yet started there is still plenty of time to win one of these magnificent awards. Figure it out for yourself. Take today's paper and see how many votes the leaders have, then look up the scale of votes and you will be surprised to see what a few subscriptions will do. You have the friends who will be glad to assist you. In fact, some of them have likely offered their assistance already and many others have been sending in votes for you daily. This contest is different from most affairs of the kind and the prizes are of the highest class and all worth the efforts of any young woman, no matter what position she occupies in the scale of society. Get busy now. Only a few more hours of effort will place you in the lead. These prizes are going to be given away absolutely free to the young woman of Western North Carolina and all that is necessary to become the recipient of one of them is to poll the largest number of votes during the contest, or be one of the first three in your district. To do this you need the support of your

TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF G. W. N. C. ASS'N FOR 1913

Perhaps more enthusiasm was shown at the meeting of the Greater Western North Carolina Association held at the court house in this city Tuesday than at any other meeting of this body.

The first year has passed and the report made by Manager Sanford H. Cohen was a good one. He told in detail what he had actually accomplished and many items which he had done with the hope of accomplishing something in the future. In the rear of the court room was strung a tremendous poster, one of those which have been placed over the Northwest and eastern part of the United States. From this poster alone many of the towns in the Association have received untold benefits.

Col. Cohen briefly gave synopsis of his trips over the country in his endeavor to attract visitors into this section of the State. Having the Southern Railroad to assist him with its well organized passenger department Col. Cohen was well pleased with the results he had obtained.

President W. E. Breese Jr. presided over the meeting and after the report made by Col. Cohen he announced that the meeting would be made informal and each county should be heard from in reference to the benefits derived during the past year from the association and the desire on the part of each county as to the future. Buncombe county was the first to be heard from. Mr. G. S. Powell of Asheville stated in a few words that Buncombe stood ready to abide by the majority. If the other counties desired to increase the assessment Mr. Powell stated that Buncombe would stand by the decision. He felt that his county had received untold benefits from the work of the association and that he was in close touch with the working of the office of Col. Cohen and was sure that great results had been gained through the efforts of Col. Cohen.

When Haywood county was called for Mr. H. C. Satterthwaite of Waynesville acted as spokesman. He stated that his county was well pleased with the result so far obtained through the association and that although his county had considered that if any of the counties withdrew this year his county would do the same, but later it had decided to remain in so long as there was an association in operation.

Mr. Lindsey, a prominent citizen of Polk county was called on for an expression of this county. He stated that his county had received a great deal of help from the association and that his people felt that their money had been well spent. He was sure that Polk county would remain in the association.

D. Ebbs and G. Roberts spoke for Madison county. They stated that their county would remain in the association, hoping each year to receive more benefit of the advertising done by the association.

Col. S. H. Hardwick, manager of the traffic department of the Southern railway company addressed the meeting for a few minutes with a few well chosen words. Mr. Hardwick has been a close observer of the workings of this association and in fact was one of the prime movers in the perfecting of this body. He stated that his company stood ready to aid in the work and since the starting of the association his president had mentioned the work of the Greater Western North Carolina association in most all of his speeches during the past year. President W. W. Finley heartily indorsed the work of the association stated Mr. Hardwick. Mr. Hardwick remarked that he felt sure that another year of the association would show double the results obtained this year and that it would increase in proportion during the years to come. Mr. Hardwick did not hesitate to say that the one thing this section of the country was badly in need of was good roads. He was in favor of the association levying an extra assessment for the sole purpose of advancing the good road movement in this section. He was applauded by the directors.

Mr. V. Richards manager of the Land and Industrial department of the Southern railway company was the next speaker. Mr. Richards stated that he had been coming here so often that he felt kinder like Hendersonville was home. He remembered when this city was only a small village and stated that over 25 years ago when he began his work for the railway company he could not find over fifty business associations over the entire southern territory traversed by the Southern railway company. Today he says there are over 600 organizations with which he can communicate directly with the people in ascertaining the prices of lands and suitable locations for prospective business concerns moving into new territory. Mr. Richards stated plainly that he was an optimist and that he hopes to be discarded as soon as he became a pessimist. He felt sure that the south would grow faster in the next ten years than it had grown in the past fifteen. One of the important items mentioned by Mr. Richards was the work of his department in receiving inquiries from all over the world about

BIG ROAD DEVELOPMENT FOR NORTH HENDERSON

BLANTYRE FARM TO FRONT
IN DEMONSTRATION WORK.

Mr. C. B. Williams and Mr. W. F. Pou, of Raleigh are making the rounds of the State Department of Agriculture fertilizer plot work. They were at the Blantyre Farm with R. W. Collett, manager, last week. This farm is now under the active management of Mr. J. E. Davidson a young man raised in the mountains and familiar with the needs and wants of mountain farmers. The Blantyre farm is taking on new life under his management. At present, he is grading roads in the steep mountain orchard preparatory to spraying and caring for the trees in the most approved manner. This orchard is expected to be not only a test of varieties, of which the State has over fifty but an object lesson in the care and management of orchards on steep land. While it is not the policy of the department of agriculture to encourage clearing lands especially steep wooded slopes, but in this work they expect to show these lands, may be turned to good account in growing apples, when people insist on clearing away the forest.

In the future Mr. C. B. Williams, the director of the experiment station at Raleigh will spend considerable time in directing experimental work on the test farms and expects to make them of even more value than in the past.

The board of agriculture seems to have recognized the importance of experimental work on these state-owned farms and is showing a disposition to make liberal appropriation for the work, recognizing that farms are the farmer's laboratory where experiments are tried out that he as an individual cannot undertake. Experiments that fall are of equal value to the farmer as those that succeed. But the individual farmer must follow methods that have succeeded, whether they are the best or not. He cannot afford to experiment to a great extent. These farms are where his failures are to be made, also the lines marked out for his greater success and the department of agriculture stands ready, at all times, to give help and advice, based on a careful study of results obtained on these test farms. The people are beginning to realize how much of a local problem farming really is. Things true in the mountains are not necessarily true in the piedmont section, or on the coastal plain, hence the necessity of having these farms in different sections of the state.

In the mountains it is found that large amounts of phosphoric acid are needed for good crops, but little, if any, potash. This is not true in the central plains. Many varieties of corn, oats, wheat, etc., show adaptability to one, but not to others. It is encouraging to note that the Blantyre farm is to receive more attention. The \$500 appropriated by the board of agriculture for experimental work there this year will help wonderfully and the farmers of that section who study the problems presented are going to reap a harvest of excellent suggestions.

Easter Hats at The Mercantile.
More lovely hats would be difficult to find than those exhibited at the Mercantile last Friday and Saturday. A small turban of the new shade of Stone Blue with Neil Rose bow on back of hat was striking and simple in taste. Large white hats elaborately trimmed were interesting for the summer girl. A specially artistic large white leghorn hat edged about with black velvet had a wreath of pink roses and foliage with a handsome large bow of dresden ribbon directly in the back.

Another lovely picture hat for a young Miss was a large soft hemp hat with its sole ornamentation a band of wide black velvet, and an exquisite bunch of pink roses on one side. A large two tone black and white hat with a plaited band of black velvet about the crown, had two large white French plumes sweeping gracefully toward the back, this thirty dollar creation received much admiration.

For nine and ten dollars truly beautiful summer hats of fine style and taste were found in varied styles. A large hat entirely of black with a unique arrangement of Maitre on the crown and plumes was much favored. Another black hat much admired was large and made of rich lace and chiffon and also was adorned with plumes. On opening day the windows of the Mercantile were tastefully decorated with a few of the lovely hats and soft silks in the pale mauve shades and were suggestive of the Good Old Summer Time fast approaching.

City Election Called.
A mayor and three aldermen will be elected at the coming election Monday, May 5th. The call is printed in another part of this issue. There is considerable speculation as to who will be the candidates among the two local parties. The fight promises to be a lively one. It is stated from authority that the democrats of the city are somewhat in the lead this year and will with all probability repeat the majority of last year.

STATE'S CONVICTS TO BUILD IMPORTANT HIGHWAY THROUGH
HENDERSON COUNTY.

WORK TO BEGIN AT BAT CAVE BEFORE JULY 1st

Farmers of Rutherford County Will
Have Easy Access to the Markets of
Hendersonville and Asheville—Work
to Influence the Building of Other
Good Roads Thereto.

(By Noah M. Hollowell.)

Henderson, Buncombe and Rutherford counties fared justly in the abundance of good roads legislation enacted by the 1913 session of the General Assembly, as a result of which much needed road building in the Bat Cave and Chimney Rock section will be realized at an early date, thus affording the farmers of Rutherford county more convenient and easy access to the markets of Hendersonville and Asheville.

The good roads question has been the dream of the people of the fertile and richly blessed section of Bat Cave and Chimney Rock for ages and the culmination of their dreams comes after many years of patient waiting.

The new law provides that the State shall put convicts on the road at an early date and a stretch of unimproved road through Bat Cave has been agitating the mind of State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt for years, who now says that his dreams of better roads for this section will be realized.

When visiting this section last summer the writer was told that the wishes of the people would be realized during the administration of Governor Craig for they had confidence in his good roads agitation, and this piece of road legislation will ever rebound to the credit of the Governor for the citizens believed that his administration would in some way or other give them relief.

When seen by the writer Dr. Pratt talked enthusiastically over the prospects of getting more than thirty convicts as provided for in the bill introduced by Representative R. R. Williams of Buncombe county. Dr. Pratt stated that plans and specifications for the construction had already been prepared and the new highway will practically follow the old road.

This stretch of road is to be built by the State and although it lies wholly within Henderson county it is to be maintained by Henderson, Rutherford and Buncombe counties, which will be benefited incalculably. This road work will stimulate road building in Rutherford and Henderson counties, Buncombe county having already built its road from Asheville to the county line where it will be intersected by the new highway. Senator Carson secured the passage of a bill calling for a \$250,000 good roads bond election in Rutherford county. He feels confident that the road advocates will win and that a splendid road will be built from Rutherford to the Henderson county line, a distance of about twenty miles, a portion of which was graded in the Chimney Rock section last summer. Another of Senator Carson's bills provided for the establishment of a chain gang in Rutherford county. The new highway will cover a distance of about six miles in Henderson county, leaving the Rutherford county line, following the Broad River past Bat Cave to the Minola gap and Hickory Nut gap to the Buncombe county line, whence the road will lead through Fairview to Asheville.

Senator Allen introduced a bill providing for a good roads election in Henderson county and it is highly probable that the road leading from Hendersonville to Bat Cave will be improved immediately in order that Hendersonville may take advantage of some of the Rutherford county farm products and those of the Bat Cave section of Henderson county, some of which is carried to Asheville.

In view of the importance of this act to Henderson, Rutherford and Buncombe counties, the full text of the same is given below:

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:
Section 1. That that part of the Hickory Nut Gap road extending from Rutherford to Asheville, and lying in Henderson county from a point where said road intersects the Henderson-Rutherford county line to the point where said road intersects the Henderson-Buncombe county line in or near Hickory Nut Gap, is herewith declared to be a State road, to be under the supervision of a board of commissioners hereinafter provided for after said road has been located and constructed.
Section 2. That the location of said

BOARDING HOUSE KEEPERS AT- TION.

You Must Have Name and Accommoda-
tions Listed Before Last of Week.

Col. Sanford H. Cohen was authorized by the directors of the Greater Western North Carolina association to begin at once with the summer season advertising. Col. Cohen asked that an additional number of members be added to the advertising committee. Mr. H. C. Meyer was added from Henderson county on the committee. Mr. Meyer desires to have a complete list this week of the hotels and boarding houses in the county. Detailed information about each house is desired for the hotel and boarding house guide to be gotten out within the next thirty days and distributed all over the United States for the summer season. Col. Cohen is going right ahead with the work and stated plainly in the meeting that should the names of any boarding house be left out it would not be the fault of the association as he was dependent upon the information sent in by the members of this committee.

Bulletin Board To Be Placed In Front of Hustler Office For The Public.
A bulletin board will be placed in front of the Hustler office for the benefit of the public. All the latest news gathered through the daily papers, private telegrams, local happenings of special importance and information regarding the voting contest conducted by this paper will be posted daily. This board will prove a popular move by the Hustler company and will be watched with interest by the public.

Standing of Contestants

District No. 1

Hendersonville Township.

Mrs. Ethel E. Dixon 99.100
Miss Jennie Bowen 98.700
Miss Jennie Garvon 50.600
Miss Kathlene Hefner 2.150
Miss Dollie Timmons 5.000
Miss Margarette Orr 5.000
Miss Louis Hodges 11.000

District No. 2

Fletcher, N. C.

Miss May Justus 29.150

Miss Jennie Rymer 5.600

Saluda, N. C.

Miss Annie Hart 30.175

Troy, N. C.

Mrs. Frank Wood 7.700

Marion, N. C.

Miss Lusy Blanton 8.400

Old Fort, N. C.

Mrs. P. H. Mashburn 6.700

Brevard, N. C.

Miss Della Stepp 11.000

Horse Shoe, N. C.

Miss Mitchell Corpening 31.150

Hayesville, N. C.

Miss Frankie Highler 15.000

Waynesville, N. C.

Miss Dollie Lee 22.000

Rutherfordton, N. C.

Miss Sallie Beam 8.000

Andrews, N. C.

Miss Gladie Watson 7.000

Miss Louise Porter 6.500

Murphy, N. C.

Miss May Candler 11.000

Take advantage of our clubbing of-
fer with the sales manager of the Ay-
cock book before April 4th.
Mr. A. L. Maxwell of Wellford, S.
C. visited relatives in this city Mon-
day and Tuesday

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